

CONTACT

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CONSECRATED AUXILIARY TO THE BISHOP OF KANSAS CITY, August 6, the Most Rev. Joseph M. Marling, '18-'23, has taken up his duties in that diocese.

Chaplain-Alumnus Meets U. S. President

Conducting the general services for the presidential party on the U.S.S. Missouri, Sunday morning, September 15, on the return trip from South America, was the ship's chaplain, Comdr. Lawrence R. Schmieder, '25-'26.

The altar, before which the services were held, stood in the shadows of the "Mighty Mo's" 16-inch guns and was flanked by two black seaplanes perched on catapults.

At the conclusion of the services, Mr. Truman shook hands with Father Schneider and the naval musicians who had assisted in the devotionals.

Pleasant Moments Shared by Visitors On Newer Campus

August 19 was a red letter day on the alumni office calendar. That day found several enthusiastic alumni visiting the campus with members of their families and friends.

First came Peter C. Thom, '01-'03, 9436 Elizabeth St., Chicago, Ill., with wife, daughter, and grandson who eagerly watched the procession of Chicago Bears in the cafeteria and asked that Bulldog Turner, his hero be pointed out.

Another man who also watched the Bears, but with a more professional eye, was alumnus Les Henrikson, '32-'36. Les, an announcer and sports commentator on station WBGE, Atlanta, Ga., was sent to represent his station at the All-Stars game. Les, accompanied by wife, Pat, met several of the Bears' organization and interviewed George Halas and Bert Bell, commissioner of the National Football League.

Visitor number 3 was alumnus Joseph H. Munning, '24-'25, who was accompanied by his son and friends, students, or prospective students of his Alma Mater.

An interesting tour of the entire campus was made more enjoyable by the many memories that sprang up. Les Henrikson recalled with evident pleasure the tasty watermelons raised by Gomar DeCocker, '30-'34, in a secret melon patch, and kept palatable throughout the winter by the same ingenious Gomar in an underground cache.

And Peter Thom remembered very vividly the day at the turn of the century when the entire student body went on strike and won a free day. He remembered, too, that on that day the present Bishop William R. Arnold, '96-'02, represented the student body on what might have been the forerunner of the modern mediation board as he negotiated with college president, Father Benedict Boebner.

Sparks to Fly High on Friday In Warm Welcome for Alumni

Plans that bid to afford a rousing welcome, and set off a flood of memories for the alumni during homecoming, Nov. 1, are rapidly nearing completion.

Under the guidance of the student council and various student campus organizations, a program has been devised that will exceed last year's in decorations, activities, and attraction.

Chief events on the schedule are a huge, pep-rally bon fire that will be set off at 7:30 p. m., Friday, Oct. 31, the homecoming football game between St. Joseph's and Louisville on Rensselaer's football field at 2:00 p. m., Saturday, Nov. 1, with the climax reached when the homecoming dance starts at 8:30 p. m., in the field house, Saturday night. Maestro of the evening will be Gene Hunt with his 13-piece orchestra from Purdue.

In announcing the program, James Buckley, college senior and president of the student council, reported that the members of the Veteran's Organization in each hall will be charged with the decorating of each hall. As in past years, the students will vie for the highest honors that will be conferred on the residents of the most expertly decorated hall.

For a safe celebration on Hallowe'en, come to St. Joe's bon fire and pep-rally on Friday night. For continued enjoyment, stay on the campus and cheer the Pumas to

victory Saturday afternoon. To top off the festivities packed with fun and memories of days past, don't miss the dance.

This is a cordial invitation to all alumni to join the college

PROGRAM

Friday, Oct. 31, 7:30 P.M.
Victory Bonfire

Saturday, Nov. 1, 2:00 P.M.
Pumas vs. Louisville, at Rensselaer

Saturday, Nov. 1, 8:30 P.M.
Homecoming Dance in Fieldhouse

staff and students this year in what promises to be one of the best homecoming days in St. Joe's history.

Teaches at Xavier U.

Werner L. Piekenbrock, '39-'46, who is working toward an M.A. in philosophy, is teaching at Xavier University in Cincinnati.



PERSONAL FRIENDS OF THE REV. DR. JOSEPH A. HILLER and friends of St. Joseph's, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Brisch recently presented a \$5,000.00 scholarship to the college. Mr. and Mrs. Brisch have visited the college and have admired the institution for several years. A resident of River Forest, Ill., Mr. Brisch is the retired head of the Brisch Brick and Rockwell Lime Co. of Chicago.

A Letter for You . . . A Letter from You

A letter, addressed to the alumni office and received last week, bore the following compelling observations: "In my mind, there seems to be a distinct difference between a 'Fund' and 'Dues.' One implies donation—the other—membership.

"Someone once said Americans were a 'belonging' race. The ego is flattered by the privilege of being allowed to belong to this group or that—the more exclusive the better—and what group could be more exclusive than the S. J. Alumni?"

"The point is that gifts are often slow in arriving—dues come around annually. One feels a sense of duty in owing dues—gifts do not create the same feeling."

These thought-provoking observations came in response to our request for a criticism of our annual dues-gift letter to the alumni and the follow-up editorial. The letter merits our studied consideration as alumni of St. Joseph's.

There is a difference between fund and dues, and we are members of St. Joseph's Alumni Association. We are the members, and the association will be what we want it to be.

In previous years the annual letter reminded us to send in a dollar for dues and a dollar for each of the publications. Last year, for the first time, it was pointed out that it might be best if the request were placed on the dues-gift basis and that we be guided in our contributions by our material blessings and by our judgment. This year, the reminder was the same.

Under the new plan last year, 350 members, or 10% of our mailing list, contributed \$3,160.20, a decided increase over the previous annual contributions. However, in the last twelve months our printing bill, together with the postage required to mail CONTACT, was \$1,335.40. The three-cent stamp in each first-class mailing amounts to \$105.00, exclusive of the cost of stationery and the printing involved.

The annual alumni reunion held last June has been described as the best ever staged at St. Joe. Replete, though it was, with attractions and activities for three days, its planning and execution was restricted by the fund at hand.

Judging from the closer bond that exists between St. Joe and her alumni, as evidenced many times in the past year, we feel that our Alumni Sustaining Fund will grow. Already, this year, as of October 7, 163 members have contributed \$1,052.50. More and more returns are coming in every day. This fact plainly indicates that the men of St. Joe are thinking of St. Joe.

It is through the Alumni Sustaining Fund that we can take care of our dues as members of the association and, also, help our Alma Mater. There is no other appeal throughout the year. Let's help through the ASF—the Alumni Sustaining Fund!

Roll of Students Stands at 596

The 57th year of St. Joseph's College began with an enrollment of 596 students. Largest class is that of the freshmen with 297, while the sophomores number 211. The balance of the student body is comprised of 57 juniors and 28 seniors.

This year's enrollment shows

an increase of 80 students over that of last year. With the bulk of students coming from Indiana, Illinois and Ohio, this year's roster boasts of representatives from Mexico, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. Veterans at St. Joe under the G. I. Bill number 288.

A Puma at Butler

Seen at the Butler-St. Joe game in Indianapolis was Thomas P. Scollard, president of the class of '47.

Sincerest appreciation of the alumni association is extended to the following members who have contributed to the Alumni Sustaining Fund:

Allgeier, Joseph L., Rev., '28-'34
Anderson, Thomas M., Jr., '36-'40
Anthamatten, Joseph L., Rev., C.P.P.S., '33-'37
Anzinger, Paul E., M. D., '27-'29
Appelhans, Louis, '40-'43
Arnold, William R., Most Rev., '96-'02
Aubry, Richard J., '27-'29
Bannon, John J., Rev., C.P.P.S., '34-'38
Beckert, Carl J., '13-'16
Bernard, Cyril A., '39-'41
Bienemann, Francis R., '19-'20
Bitler, George O., '39-'40
Boeckman, Gregory A., Very Rev., '16-'22
Bogan, James R., '40-'43
Boker, Ralph William, '27-'31
Byrne, John P., Rev., '19-'25
Cadden, William C., '37-'40
Callahan, William E., '33-'37
Cera, Raymond, Rev., C.P.P.S., '38-'40
Contant, Robert W., Rev., '39-'41
Corvington, Walter H., '42-'43
Cross, Leonard, Rev., '27-'31
Daily, Thomas J., '15-'17
Davis, Francis J., '11-'15
Deutsch, William N., Rev., '10-'17
Diekhoff, Bernard J., Rev., C.P.P.S., '38-'41

Dougherty, William F., Rev., C.P.P.S., '38-'40
Downey, John A., Rev., '30-'35
Dreiling, Daniel J., '25-'26
Dreiling, Norbert F., '33-'38
Duray, Louis G., '25-'31
Ehrman, William J., Rev., '14-'16
Ernst, Edward H., '10-'13
Feldes, Charles J., Very Rev. Msgr., '14-'20
Fisher, Frank, '23-'25
Fleming, Edward R., '38-'42
Freeland, Leonard, '15-'17

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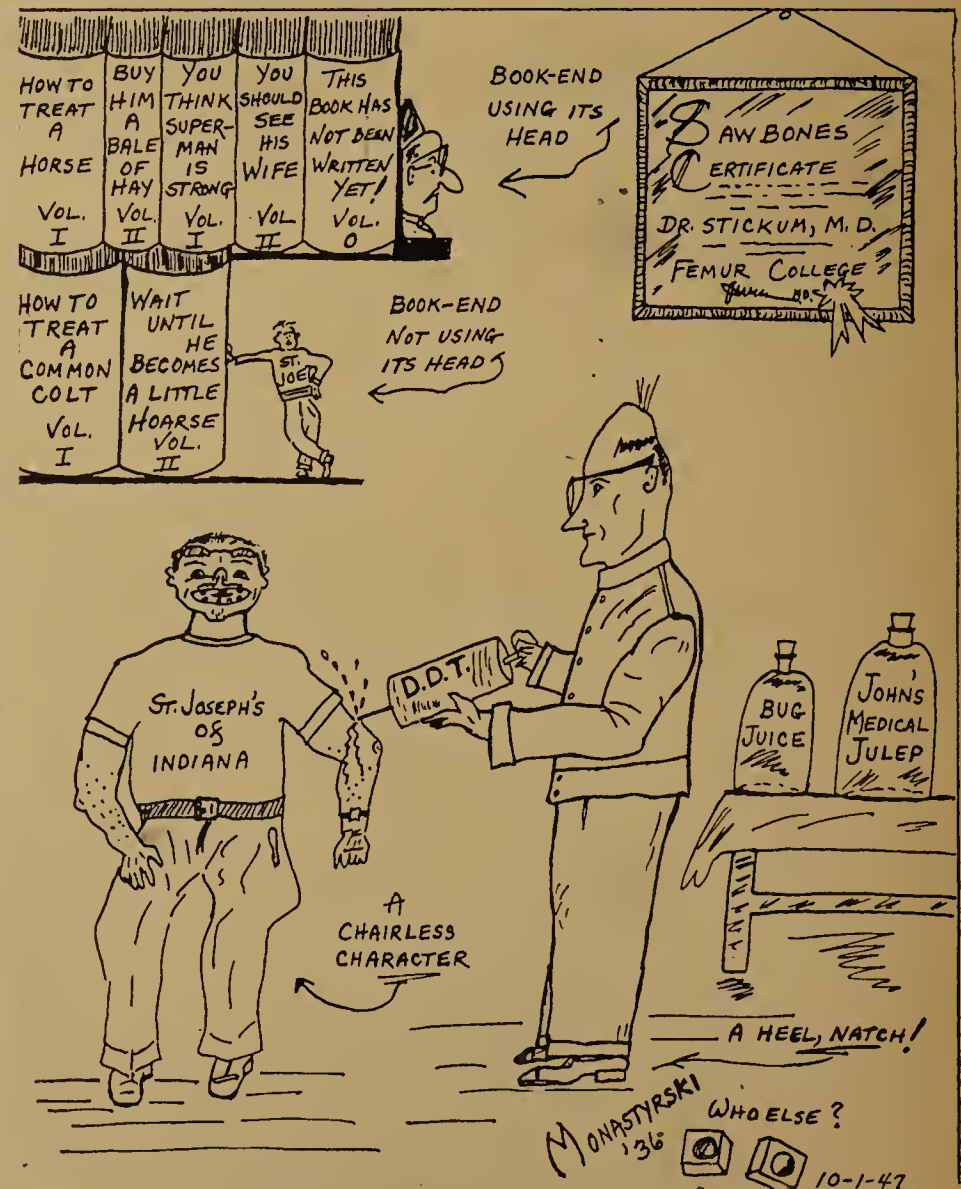
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Paul S. Monastyrski '34-'36
National Alumni Secretary



Honest, Doc, all I did was read the Koffee Kounter Kolumn last month!



Coffee hath charms that soothe the savage breast. Nevertheless, I'm so mad I just bit a chunk off this stimulin', steamin' cup, and, savage, or not, I'm going to make a clean breast of it.

If you, my kind readers (all three of you), will glance at the bottom of page two, you will see that ole, "Kiss-of-death" Monastyrski crudely plugged my column with what he prefers to call a cartoon. A cartoon! Hmpf! He began by drawing flies, and even the flies soon developed better taste.

I wouldn't blame you three if you now decided to quit reading my column. Actually, there are only two of us who are forced to read it—Bill Campbell, our printer, who sets up the type, and myself; and I'm prejudiced.

There are some things you must know about this Monastyrski to understand how he could kill a kolumn. That guy is so dumb he thinks assets are little donkeys, South Bend is a curve in a road, and Marshall Field is a cow pasture. His theme song is "A Dopey Hacienda."

You'd think a character with 11 letters in his name would have all he could do to concentrate on its pronunciation. In fact, if I had a name like that I would get married and change it.

There's really only one nice thing I can say about him and, after all, you can say something nice about anybody if you try. One thing in his favor is that Monastyrski can't be two-faced; otherwise, he'd be wearing the other one. There is one fate to which I would like to consign him. I would make cheap recordings (with, or without Petrillo) of every one of his cheap puns, lock him up in the alumni office with the radiator turned on full blast, on the Fourth of July, and have an intensely loud juke box play the records continuously for 24 hours. That would be fitting pun-ishment.

This month our flood-light percolator is trained on Syl-

Larry Rall Flies to Campus For First Visit in 17 Years

Finding an opportunity to fly, alumnus Lawrence V. Rall, '20-'24, thought of St. Joe the "ole school near Rensselaer," and decided to visit his Alma Mater.

After an aerial reconnaissance of the campus, the first glimpse of St. Joe in 17 years, Lawrence Rall, his son, Paul, a high school sophomore, and the pilot, Joseph Bringman, landed on Rensselaer's air field two miles north of the campus.

A short tour of the campus set off a flood of memories from the years 1920-24. There were stories of the old Turner Hall, skating on the pond in the winter, pigeons in the chapel towers, Raleigh Club initiations, and a lot of personalities that colored the school days almost a quarter of a century ago.

"I remember the time," recalled Rall, "our Turner Hall team put on an exhibition in Chicago, back in 1921. We were accompanied by the band and a crowd of students to St. Alphonsus Auditorium and we put on a real show for the benefit of the Alexian Brothers."

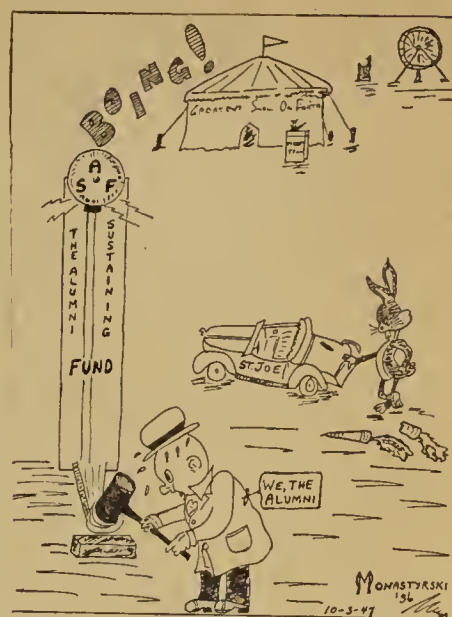
Talk of Turner Hall always brings to mind its efficient director and coach, Father Albin Scheidler. "I saw Father Scheidler a couple of months ago," smiled Lawrence Rall, "when he spoke before the Knights of Columbus in Tiffin, at an officers' installation ceremony." Father Scheidler is, at present, director of Our Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Marywood.

We called on Brother John Marling, '18-'23, instructor in

mathematics and physics, who was preparing to give an examination to one of his classes. After a few seconds of smiling concentration, Brother John recalled the name of his former schoolmate, Lawrence Rall.

Among other memories happily aired during the visit was the Tony Quinlisk (Rev. Anthony M. Quinlisk, '18-'24) reputation for catching pigeons in the chapel towers, and the unpredictable schemes and instruments of torture devised at the many Raleigh Club initiations.

Lawrence Rall, proud father of five boys and one girl, recalled that the last time he visited St. Joe was on his honeymoon in 1930. Lawrence is a farmer at R.R. 5, Upper Sandusky. Preparing to leave for his flight back home, he promised to send an old copy of College Cheer, a collection of snapshots of his classmates, including one of himself and Bishop Marling, '18-'23, as students, and, also, to revisit his Alma Mater



Ehh. . . What's up, Doc?

long before another seventeen years should elapse.

Pilot of the Cub Cruiser that brought the trio to Collegeville, Joe Bringman, stated that he will continue working to convince his father-in-law, William B. Ketterer, '08-'09, 320 S. Wood St., Fremont, to make the next flight to Collegeville.

Scheiber in Indiana

Thomas J. Scheiber, '47, co-editor of Stuff last year, has enrolled in the graduate school of Indiana University. Tom is working toward an M. A. in journalism which he hopes to earn by the end of the summer session.

J. E. Feicht, '40-'43 Advances as Coach

An advancement on the coaching ladder came recently to John E. Feicht, '40-'43, with his appointment as assistant coach at St. Mary's High School, Sandusky.

John moves in on a job held last year by Clarence (Chuck) Lewandowski, '39-'43, now director of the intramural sports at St. George's High School, Chicago.

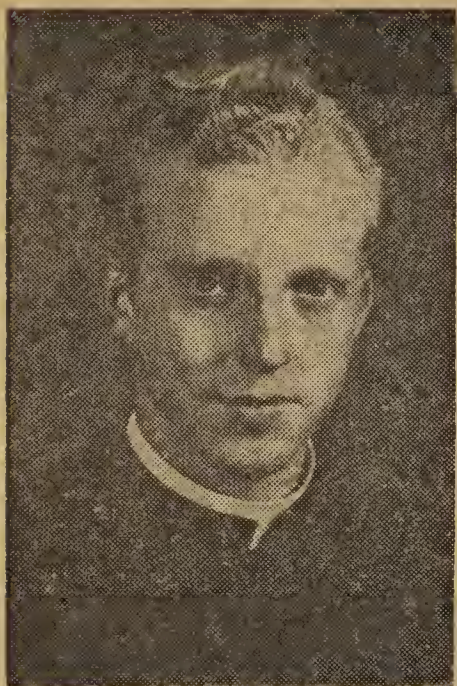
While visiting Pittsburg, on business last summer, John Feicht and George Laubacher, '42-'43, looked up Gil Hodges, '41-'43, relief catcher of the Brooklyn Dodgers, when they learned "Dem Bums" were in town.

In his second year of coaching, John has already produced a county championship, leading the baseball team at his last station to nine wins against one loss.

ven S. Cook, '22-'23, who is constantly and loyally recommending St. Joe to all prospective students he meets. Sylven Cook, the coffee man of the month!



A CROWD OF ALUMNI added to the 1,500 interested spectators who crowded the Rensselaer football field to watch an intra-squad game by the Chicago Bears, Sunday, Aug. 31. Two aggregations of the Bears' team provided a few pre-season football thrills when the Collegeville Cubs defeated the Rensselaer Bears, 6-0. Sponsored by the Rensselaer Rotary Club, the game was played as a benefit for St. Joseph's with the proceeds assigned to the furnishing of the new Raleigh Hall. Pictured above is alumnus, Bishop John G. Bennett, '06-'09, getting a Bear's-eye-view of football from George "Poppa Bear" Halas as the V. Rev. Henry A. Lucks, '15-'21, looks on.



Hole-in-One Scored on 7 Hole By Fr. Dreiling

The Rev. Marcellus M. Dreiling, c.p.p.s., '25-'30, stepped up to the 135 yard No. 7 on the Curtis Creek golf course in Rensselaer, Friday afternoon, September 5.

Several things crowded his mind as he peered down the fairway. For instance, he couldn't forget that his erstwhile protege, the Rev. Stan Tuszynski, c.p.p.s., '37-'39, had just a week previously won the Brother Dave Golf Trophy sponsored by the Cook County Chapter of the alumni association.

It didn't help matters a bit, he recalled now, when Father Stan smiled: "Everything I know about golf I owe to Father Dreiling," and then took the trophy that had reigned supreme in Father Dreiling's room for the last six years, unchallenged because of the war.

Pupil Shows Professor How.

More distressingly poignant in his mind now was the memory of three summers ago when this same Father Stan whom he had coached from the very beginning with: "This is a wood; this is a brassie," started his golfing career with a hole-in-one on this very golf course.

As he stood there now on No. 7, gripping his 7-iron, every rippling muscle spelled real golfing class. It's about time something was done about the whole situation, he thought as he swung, not dreaming that something was

CONCLUDING HIS STUDIES for the priesthood at St. Meinrad Seminary, St. Meinrad, Ind., the Rev. Robert A. Wendeln, '39-'41, was ordained, Sept. 19. On the staff of *Stuff* while at St. Joe, the young priest was the originator and author of the colorful weekly feature: "Before Our Time," narrating the history of the college. Brother Edward J. Wendeln, C.P.P.S., '35-'39, prefect of students at Brunnerdale Seminary; Cyril F. Wendeln, college sophomore; and Walter A. Wendeln, '44-'47, are brothers to the newly ordained who has been appointed assistant at Holy Family Catholic Church, Ashland, Ky.

Ralph I. Peters, who returned to St. Joe for the year, 1946-47, from the war fronts, is back in military harness. It is now Cpl. Ralph I. Peters, Hq. & Hq. Co. AHS, Arlington, Va.

TOUGHENING UP for his job as assistant line coach of the Pumas, Fred "Butch" Jones, '35-'39, clears the new campus parking lot with a verve copied by the best bulldozer operators.



We Remembered the ASF...

Freiburger, Edward J., Rev., '01-'06
Fromer, Charles, '18-'23
Gable, John R., '11-'14
Gase, Paul L., '03-'05
Gengler, Francis J., '25-'30
Gerlach, Norbert L., '24-'26
Gillig, Paul R., '36-'38
Goldcamp, Donald, '40-'41
Gollner, Lawrence A., Rev., '26-'32
Griesbaum, Bernard I., '29-'35
Gruber, Edward G., '34-'37
Gutgsell, Maurice A., '38-'42
Hanley Joseph A., '40-'43
Hanley, William A., '01-'02 '07-'08

being done. The little white pellet flew as true as an arrow as long as they could follow it.

Professor Shows Pupil How.

It seems they despaired of finding the golf ball when Mr. Hendrickson of Rensselaer, another golfer, accidentally glanced into the No. 7 hole, and there it was, a hole-in-one! Anyone wanting verification of this feat can get the entire report in writing with two carbon copies by writing Mr. Hendrickson.

Father Stan tersely commented that he was highly gratified that the example he set his senior faculty member several years ago was finally bearing fruit. Father Marcellus? Our most trusted reporter says that Father Marc simply said something like: "It wasn't easy." Anyway he has a new slogan now: "The fifth of September is easy to remember!"

Horses and Spurs Lure Collier, '14-'16

The color of the old West with its rugged mountains, jingling spurs and pied horses has lured another alumnus far from home.

Maurice R. Collier, '14-'16, took leave of Anderson, Ind., to make his home in Tucson, Ariz. The letters that reach Maurice are always addressed: 1502 E. Roger Rd., R. R. 5, Box 146, Tucson, Ariz.

While moving west was still in the planning stage, Mr. Collier called on a fellow alumnus for assistance. Reading of Bert Cavanagh, '10-'13, realtor in Phoenix, Ariz., in the July *CONTACT*, he wrote for professional assistance in securing real estate listings in that area. The immediate response by Cavanagh enabled Collier to complete his plans for his western move.

Following dad through St. Joe training is son, Joe Collier, a college junior, who is majoring in English and carrying a minor in Journalism. Joe is on the editorial staff of *Stuff*, the campus newspaper.

Heckel, James E., '41-'43
Hemmelgarn, Werner, Rev., C.P.P.S., '31-'35
Hennes, Joseph J., Rev., '19-'22
Herber, Max I., Rev., C.P.P.S., '25-'26
Heringhaus, Cornelius C., Rev., '22-'28

Tireless Tony Teolis Capable Cartoonist Cancels Contact Job

Mr. Anthony N. Teolis, C.P.P.S., '39-'42, secretary, business machine operator, and creator of captivating *CONTACT* cartoons in the past year, has resumed his studies at St. Charles Seminary, Carthage, Tenn.

On a leave of absence from the seminary, Tony, who reported to St. Joe last October, was assigned to work in the alumni office. His willing industriousness was applied to the operation of the machines in the office, to letter writing and filing.

With more than an ordinary flair for drawing, Tony regularly furnished attractive cartoons that added lively interest to each issue of *CONTACT*. Best wishes for success in his studies are extended to Tony Teolis, who faithfully served the college and the alumni.



"STRICTLY FROM CORN," may very well have been the observation made by the Rev. Robert J. Stukenborg, '27-'32, as he inspected the college farm's ten-foot corn. In parish work since ordination in 1938, he joined the college staff last July as assistant treasurer, succeeding the Rev. Francis C. Laudick, '25-'27, who is now pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Cleveland.